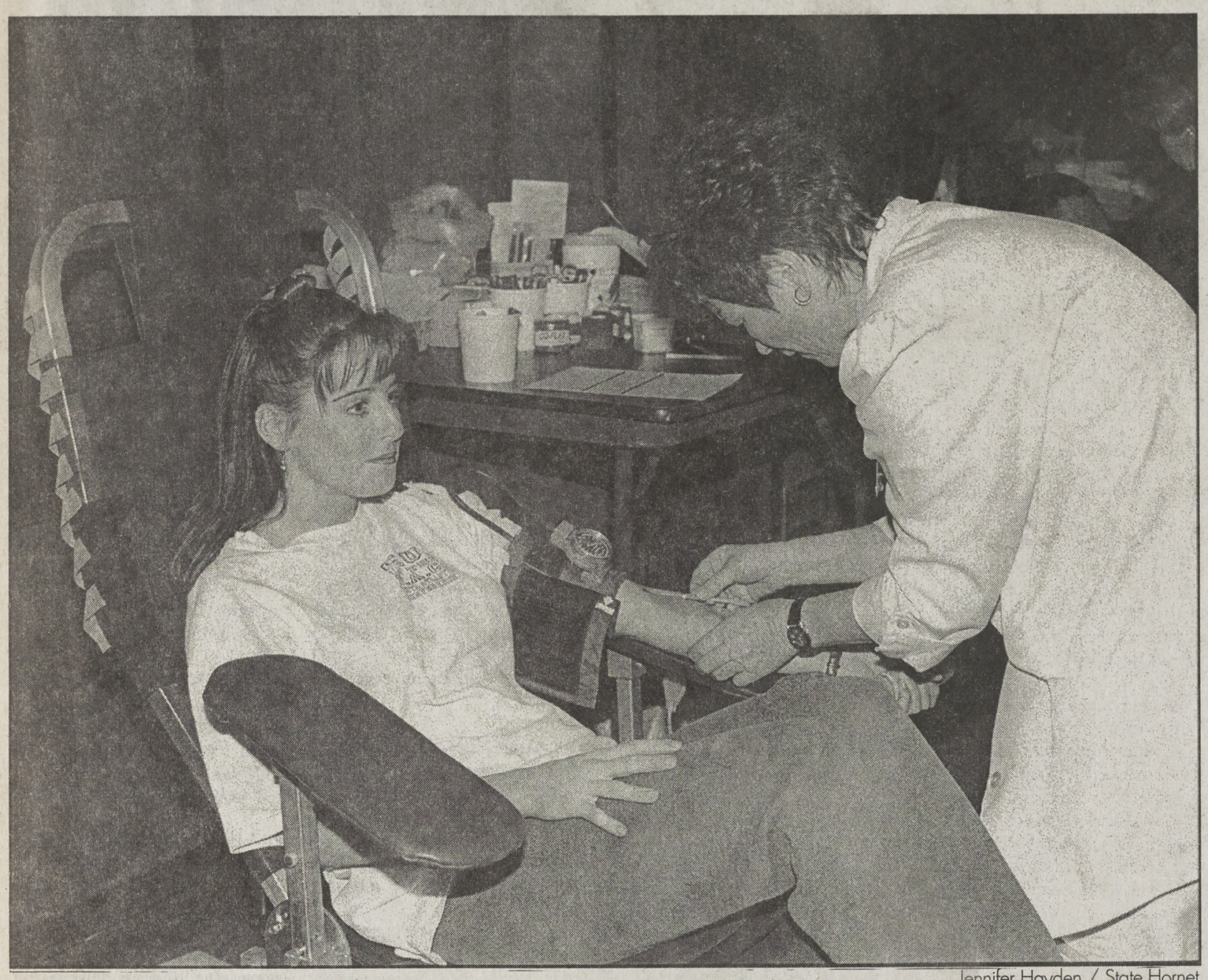
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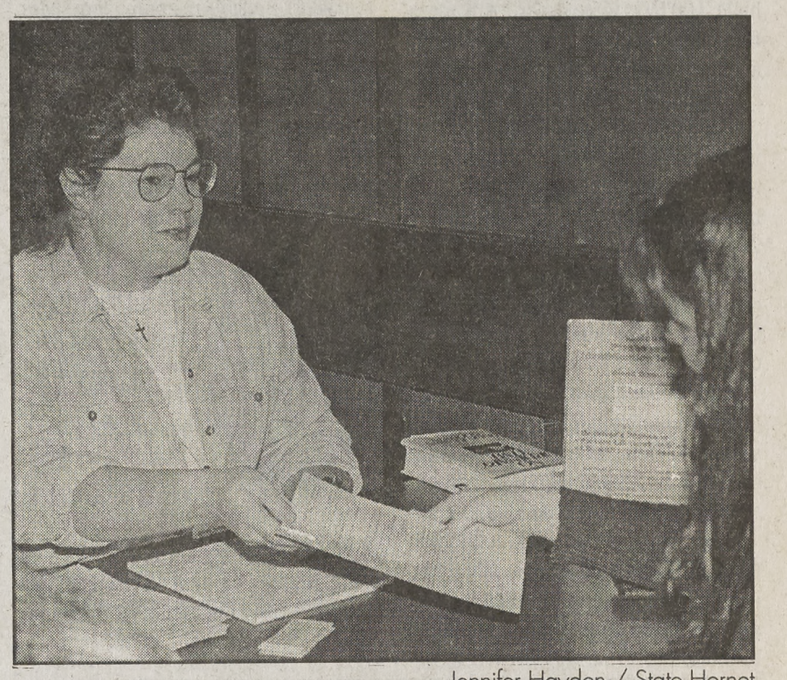
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Blood drive taps the fountain of CSUS students

Over 100 Sacramento State students each donated a pint of blood for the non-profit Sacramento Blood Center's reserves



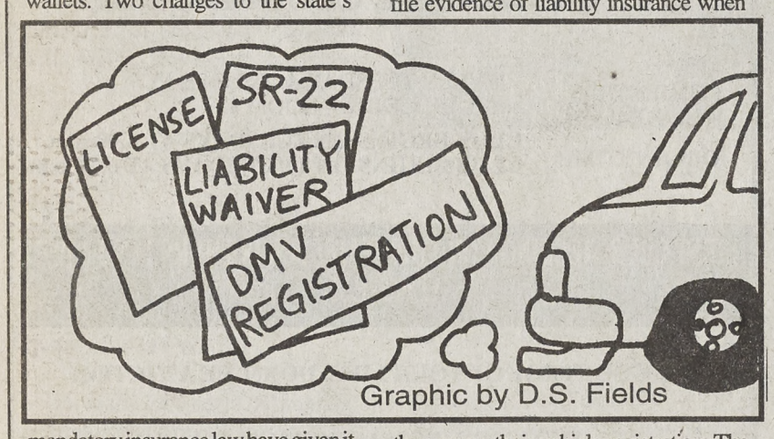
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Monday, the Sacramento Blood Center held a blood drive in the Redwood Room of the Union. Student Juliet Cresto (above left) gets her blood taken, while Carole Landrith (above right) from the Sacramento Blood Center staffs the welcome table, where all of the preliminary paperwork is handled. Community patients rely on regular repeat donors to maintain a plentiful blood supply.

DMV strains wallets by requiring mandatory liability insurance

By JOHN MONTGOMERY
HORNET STAFF WRITER

There is a real possibility that most of the population of CSUS has been driving the streets and highways blissfully unaware of recent legislation that could have a major impact on students' wallets. Two changes to the state's mandatory insurance law have given it new teeth to enforce the requirement that all motor vehicles be insured before driving in California. Drivers who don't meet the new requirements could face fines of more than $1,000 and possibly have their car impounded if they are caught in violation of these changes.



Graphic by D.S. Fields

Since Jan. 1, drivers have been required to show evidence that they have liability insurance if they are stopped by a peace officer for a traffic violation. In the past, that evidence was required only if the driver was involved in an accident.

The second change is a provision requiring registered owners of a vehicle to file evidence of liability insurance when they renew their vehicle registration. The law covers cars, trucks, motorcycles and commercial vehicles. It does not apply if the vehicle is being registered in a non-operational status.

One CSUS student found out the hard way about the new changes when she was pulled over by police last month.

"I was stopped by police and the officer asked me for my insurance," said Cathy Rebello. "I had the card the company gave me but it was from last year's policy."

Rebello said the officer let her go without writing the citation but warned her to keep the current copy with her in case the next officer was not as understanding. He told her that if another officer stopped her and she didn't have the valid card with her, her car could be impounded and towed away — even if her violation was as petty as a broken taillight.

To make it convenient, the DMV will include instructions on how to comply with the law in each vehicle registration billing notice mailed out. For most people, it will simply mean making a photocopy of the insurance identification card issued by most insurance companies and giving that copy to the DMV. The original card should be kept in the vehicle so drivers can meet the requirement for carrying evidence of insurance.

"Those who routinely obtain insurance for their vehicles have nothing to fear from this law," said Sally Reed, of the DMV. "Those without insurance face fines and fees that probably exceed the cost of basic liability insurance required by state law."

If the driver cannot present evidence of insurance, he or she will be fined at least $1,350 for the first conviction. This includes a minimum fine of $500 and $850 in mandatory penalty assessments imposed by the courts. Subsequent violations will result in fines that are at least $2,700.

If the driver was insured at the time of the citation, but was unable to present it to the peace officer, the court can dismiss the charges when proof is presented. The court can also order a vehicle to be impounded for being uninsured.

If evidence of insurance is not presented when a vehicle's registration is renewed, the DMV will notify the vehicle's owner that new tags cannot be issued. If the vehicle is driven without the new tags, the driver could be cited for lack of current registration as well as lack of insurance.

California state law requires a driver to maintain a minimum liability policy for each vehicle with at least $15,000 coverage for bodily injury to one person, at least $30,000 for all those who suffer bodily injury, and at least $5,000 in coverage for damage to property as the result of any one accident. The coverage only applies to damage covered by the driver. Other insurance, such as uninsured motorist coverage, is not required by law.

Former mayor Rudin foresees revolt before democracy in Russia

By CATHY REBELLO
HORNET STAFF WRITER

Anne Rudin, former mayor of Sacramento, spoke at the Peace Action Committee in Sacramento Thursday, Feb. 6. Her discussion titled "Russia: Is Democracy Working?" was based on her work conducting seminars for women in Dubna, Russia.



Rudin, along with two other American women, went to Dubna to help women students become active in politics. Rudin taught the students how to be activists by collecting facts, and planning and publicizing meetings. Rudin says the feeling of intellectual oppression is still strong in Dubna and it is important for the students to learn persuasive public speaking skills to lobby for change.

Rudin stated that the division of power between the rich and poor in Russia is so great that she feels there would be a revolution before true democracy is reached.

According to Rudin, there is a growing catalyst movement in Russia.

"If people are frustrated at every turn, they are going to give up," Rudin added. "You have to have a system of value."

Rudin concluded the seminar by stating that one person can make a difference; however, it will be a few generations before change becomes apparent.

Rush week builds awareness of CSUS Greek system

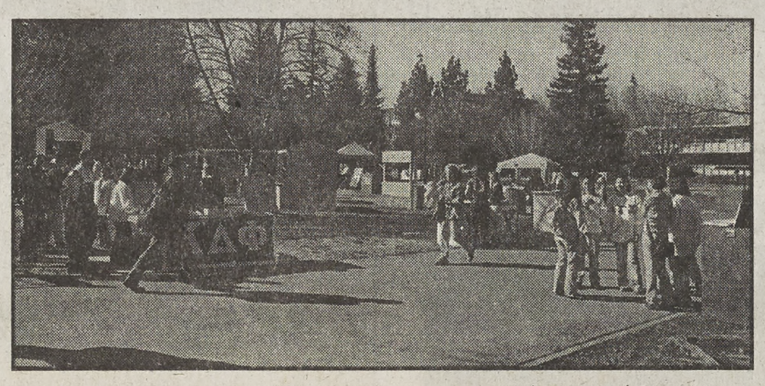
By MARK AVILA
HORNET STAFF WRITER

Walking through the Library Quad this past week may have been a tumultuous task for those curious about the carnival of booths offering everything from free T-shirts to cellular air-time. However, the Greek society outnumbers all the information booths during "Rush Week".

For those unfamiliar with this age-old college custom, it occurs in the first few weeks of every semester when fraternities, sororities, clubs and organizations of all backgrounds offer their membership to all those interested. Several of the Greek societies are looking for perspective members with the same academic, political and social ideals.

In the Spring, Rush Week is considerably less formal and students interested in joining are encouraged to "walk right up to the counter."

If one chooses to "Rush," he or she is welcome to attend a myriad of social and sporting events, including casual dining and offbeat athletics, which may include the occasional pizza and sloshball (an alternative version of softball).



Dominick Porras / State Hornet

"We benefit because [Rush Week] is publicity for us. It gets our name out there and it welcomes girls that are interested in joining the Greek system," said Aaryn Rose, social director of Sigma Kappa.

Other events during Rush Week include intra-Greek gatherings and occassional house parties.

"[Rush Week] builds awareness for the Greek system," said Dan Raffa, vice president of Zeta Sigma Fraternity. "Having good Greek and athletic organizations builds a stronger campus."

"To me, it's important to go Greek, as it builds leadership," said Armando Viramontes, a junior and recent rushee in Sigma Phi Epsilon. "We encourage that you not limit yourself and that you find a fraternity that suits you," Viramontes added.

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News

Car burglaries and thefts plague CSUS parking lots

By MARIA OR
HORNET STAFF WRITER

A rash of car burglaries and car thefts plagued the CSUS campus last month. Most of the crimes occurred in the north and south dorm parking lots. According to University Police Investigator John Hamrick, there were 13 crimes reported.

Although most of the crimes occurred in the dorm parking lots, lots one, seven and eight were targeted also. Seven of the crimes occurred during the midnight shift, while six occurred during the day or swing shift.

Eleven cars were burglarized. Six of the cases reported the vehicles' stereos were stolen, five of which had detachable face plates. From one vehicle, 100 CDs were stolen. An amplifier, a cellular phone and several books and backpacks were taken from the other cars.

Two cars were reported stolen. One was a 1988 Honda Prelude which was recovered one day later by the California Highway Patrol. The CHP have a 27 year-old white male in custody for allegedly committing the crime. The other stolen car was a 1985 Buick Century, which has still not been recovered.

Nine of the cases reported that the burglars entered the car by breaking the windows. The other break-ins were caused by either punched door locks or by unknown methods.

The owner of the Buick, John Trotter, a CSUS dorm resident, recalls walking to where his car had been parked and discovered it missing. He said, "I found another car was parked in my space." According to Trotter, there was no broken glass and nothing valuable was in his car. He said there was nothing he could have done to prevent the theft. "The cops should be doing more rounds," he said, "there should be more surveillance."

A memorandum to dorm residents sent by Troy Bucko, Area Director of Sierra and Sutter Halls, states "Community Service Officers are on patrol from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. every day. Campus police drive through the lots on a regular basis, and all parking lot lighting is inspected monthly to insure adequate light in all parking areas."

Bucko believes that a majority of the thefts could have been prevented if students had taken the time to conceal their valuables. Bucko's memorandum states that students have about a one in 50 chance of having their cars stolen.

"Sacramento has over 7,000 vehicles stolen each year," states Bucko, "Protect your car and your valuables. Don't give a thief a reason to break into your car."

POLICE LOG

By Matt Parenti

The following are excerpts from the Campus Police Activity Log between Friday, Jan. 31 to Wednesday, Feb. 5.

Citizen Assist calls: 7
Keys Locked in Vehicle calls: 6
Auto Burglary/Attempt calls: 5

Friday, Jan. 31

8:21 a.m. - Grand Theft

Campus Police received a report that a photo enlarger, worth $2000, was taken from the Art Bldg. sometime in the last week.

1:59 p.m. - Vandalism

A car parked in Lot 4B was "keyed" and had its tires punctured sometime between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m..

8:35 p.m. - Hit and Run

An unknown female driver hit another vehicle on the 5th floor of the Parking Structure and refused to stop.

Saturday, Feb. 1

12:47 a.m. - Outside Assist

At the request of Sacramento Police Dispatch, Campus Police responded to the 1900 block of O Street after a loud fraternity party had been reported.

10:07 p.m. - Warrant Arrest

Campus Police arrested a 29-year-old Rancho Cordova man at the Chevron Station at Folsom and Howe for $11,500 in warrants for failure to appear in court, being an unlicensed driver without evidence of current registration, and seat belt violations. Campus Police booked the subject at the Sacramento County Jail.

Monday, Feb. 3

10:01 a.m. - Hit and Run

A caller reported that a female driver backed into her car in the Parking Structure.

11:19 a.m. - Warrant Arrest

A 42-year-old male was arrested at the River Front Center for warrants. He was booked at the Sacramento County Jail.

1:22 p.m. - Medical Assist

Police responded to the Math/History Bldg. after a report that a female was feeling faint and numb. After being assessed by paramedics, the victim refused ambulance transport.

5:25 p.m. - Indecent Exposure

A well-groomed male adult wearing glasses and driving a blue truck exposed himself after asking for directions in Lot 8.

Tuesday, Feb. 4

9:10 a.m. - Threatening Phone Call

A caller from the Education Bldg. called to report receiving a threatening phone call from a female on Feb 3.

11:12 a.m. - Indecent Exposure

A caller reported that a blonde male adult wearing glasses in a blue truck exposed himself.

Wednesday, Feb. 5

2:29 p.m. - Possible Fraud

A female caller from Sutter Hall reported that a male subject called and told her that she was going to be sued by Bank of America and advised that if she sent $800, she would be released of liability. The subject also requested her Social Security Number, Driver's License number and the name of her bank.

Investigator John Hamrick of the Campus Police recommends that if anyone receives a call such as this, do not give out any information over the phone. Instead, ask for a name and number to call back and check the validity of such inquiries.

7:14 p.m. - Bicycle Theft

A caller reported witnessing two male subjects taking a bike from the racks near the Math/History Bldg. One of the subjects was last seen pedaling toward the Guy West Bridge on the stolen bike. The other suspect was seen running toward the Quad from the Engineering Bldg. area.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 11-14, 1997

Public Viewing at CSUS Astronomical Observatory invites students to view celestial objects at the CSUS Observatory on the roof of the Psychology Building on Saturday, Feb.15, from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. View Saturn, the Great Nebula in Orion, Andromeda Galaxy, Pleiades and other star clusters.

Contact: Professor Ibser at 487-0954.

12-Bisexual, Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Sacramento will hold its first meeting of the semester at 7 p.m. in the Miwok Room on the third floor of the University Union.

Call 486-4633 for more information.

12-Society for Advancement in Management hosts Dr. Tenge, who will speak on the "European Business Seminar," being offered this summer, at noon in the Student Board Chamber Room on the third floor of the University Union.

Contact Natalie Raccanello at 641-1918.

12-Alpha Phi Omega will hold an informational meeting at 7 p.m. in the Student Board Chamber Room on the third floor of the University Union.

12-Communication Service Network will hold its first general meeting to discuss upcoming events and elect officers at 3 p.m. in the fifth floor conference room of Mendocino Hall.

Contact Kelly Krohn at 326-7415.

12-Public Hearing in Davis at the Veterans' Memorial Center, 203 E. 14th St., at 7 p.m.

Contact Betsi Howard, Information Officer 486-1876.

12-Interfraternity Council will hold its weekly meeting at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the University Union.

Contact Mike Koontz at 686-5689 or Joe Hollister at 492-2424.

13-Norm Chomsky "Manufacturing Consent," a film on Chomsky's life and times will be shown at 3:15 p.m. in Mendocino Hall in room 4000, as part of the Alternative Video series of the Progressive Students. Discussion to follow.

Contact Jeanie Keltner at 278-6925.

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CENTER STAGE

Spotlighting entertainment, health, environmental issues and faces from the CSUS community

Tasting a slice of stardom

Cake plays sold-out show

By MELISSA JONES
FEATURES EDITOR

Cake blew out the candles on a sold-out performance at the Memorial Auditorium on Friday, Feb. 7. The band has been on tour promoting their latest album, *Fashion Nugget*, since last September.

Friday's show was Cake's first performance in Sacramento since their whirlwind tour, but the band seemed right at home.

John McCrea, the band's lead singer, wore his trademark bucket hat. Several similar hats were visible in the audience.

The band opened with "Mastodon Farm," a song from their first album, *Motorcade of Generosity*. McCrea, who gets the audience involved in shows, asked the audience to sing along in "powerful, Viking voices."

The band also kept with its tradition of stopping in the middle of a show to give a trivia quiz.

The question: What astrological sign is most likely to get into a car accident.

The answer: Aries

A T-shirt was awarded to the winner.

The audience, a motley crew of new fans and old, reflected Cake's swelling popularity. Questioning whether "Stick-shifts and Safety Belts" would go over well with the fledgling fans, McCrea announced, "If you don't like country, you can just go to the bathroom now."

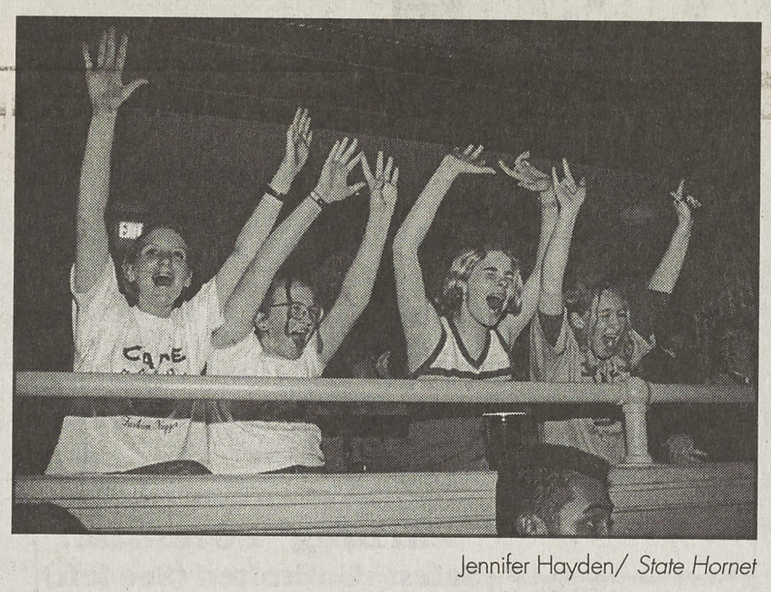
The crowd was predominantly young, an image completed by four screaming teen-aged girls who, throughout the show, pledged their "undying" love for McCrea. Another telltale sign of "uneducated" new fans was an attempt to mosh during "Going the Distance," Cake's most recent hit.

When asked about their tour, drummer Todd Roper said, "We got into people's minds. Santa was good to us."

And how does all this extra exposure affect the band? "We ate really well," said Roper. Let's just hope their fans don't get sick of "Cake."



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Above: John McCrea (vocals) leads Cake in a sold-out performance at the Memorial Auditorium, wearing his trademark bucket hat. The concert on Friday, Feb. 7 was the first time Cake had performed in Sacramento since they went on their whirlwind tour promoting their last album, *Fashion Nugget*. Greg Brown (electric guitar) plays in the background.

Below: A group of adoring teen-aged girls, wearing their Cake t-shirts, scream for McCrea. The audience, peppered with such overly-enthusiastic youth, reflected the band's increasing popularity.



ALTERNATIVE MEDICINES: PART I

By ELIZABETH BUCCERI
Assistant Features Editor

Healing herbs: An ancient cure for modern times

Medicinal herbs, which have been used for centuries in many eastern countries, have recently gained popularity in western countries. There are numerous varieties of herbal remedies available. They claim to cure anything from headaches to heart disease.

Products that were once found only in Asian markets have slowly made their way onto the shelves of health food stores. Today, they can be found in most supermarkets and pharmacies.

Many of these herbal remedies have become so mainstream that they are accepted as conventional drugs. These products include ginger (to prevent nausea), chamomile (used for indigestion) and garlic (to lower cholesterol).

One herbal product that has grown especially popular in the United States is ginseng. It was used in Asia for thousands of years to cure such ailments as depression, diabetes, stress, anemia and menopause. Today the herb is used as an aphrodisiac and an energy-booster.

Ginseng can be candied and eaten, or it can be ground and made into tea. More commonly, ginseng is mixed with other herbs such as bee pollen and sold in pill form. One brand of ginseng supplements, Ginsana, sells over 120 million capsules a year.

Unlike most drugs, herbal remedies are not under tight watch by the FDA. These products were originally considered neither foods nor drugs. Therefore manufacturers had no problem selling them as long as they didn't use labels that claimed medicinal effects. After new legislation passed in 1993, herbal medicines, vitamins, minerals and other health supplements fell into their own category.

Now these products are under different standards. They do not need to undergo the same strict testing procedures as over-the-counter and prescription drugs, nor do they need to meet the same kind of quality control. The manufacturers may state the herb's effect on the body, although they cannot claim that it will prevent a certain disease. The biggest difference is that the manufacturer does not have to prove that its product is safe. Rather, it is the FDA's responsibility to prove that it is *unsafe*.

Whether certain herbs really work is still debatable. Most individuals gain information about a product by word of mouth since manufacturers' claims are not allowed. This is usually the result of personal testimony that a particular herb helped or cured an ailment. The problem is that these testimonies may be the result of the placebo effect — that is, individuals believe the drugs will work, so they feel better after taking them.

One major controversy is whether some of these products can actually harm the body. Although many people relate "herbal" to "natural" and therefore to "safe," this is not necessarily the case. Often one herbal remedy can consist of more than one substance. When these substances are combined, they can produce dangerous reactions.

Herbal remedies, like conventional medicine, can react to medications a patient is already taking. This is especially common, because many people do not take the same precautions with herbal remedies as with taking conventional medicines.

Some herbal remedies have proven harmful and even fatal. Often times, this is a result of contamination or misidentification of plants. For example, several individuals fell ill in New York in 1994 after drinking an herbal tea contaminated with a poisonous plant in the belladonna family. In another incident, the once-popular shrub chaparral (a supposed cancer cure) was found to cause liver damage after a woman was hospitalized. The L-tryptophan pill (used for insomnia) was found to cause a disease which affects tissue matter and blood — more than 38 people died.

According to *Consumer Reports*,

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Tom DeLuca to work magic on CSUS audience

JAYNE K. SI
HORNET STAFF WRITER

Get ready for a night of laughter, imagination and mysticism as CSUS once again welcomes Tom DeLuca, hypnotist extraordinaire. DeLuca will be appearing in the University Union Redwood Room on Thursday, Feb. 13. This will be DeLuca's 15th appearance on campus.

A former New Yorker, DeLuca attended the University of Miami in Florida, then proceeded to Sangamon State University where he earned a Masters Degree in psychology. Previously a clinical hypnotist, DeLuca was discovered by a prominent businessman who encouraged him to get into the entertainment business. Nightclubs served as DeLuca's training ground as he performed and refined his acts in the Midwest. He finally hit college campuses in 1979 and quickly proved himself one of the most eccentric and popular performers around.

"What I do is get people to use their imagination," said DeLuca.

In fact, what DeLuca does is create the whimsical kind of improvisation and thought projection that captivates audiences. He can convince a volunteer to assume the personality of anything from a cartoon character, to a 5-year-old, to an alien.

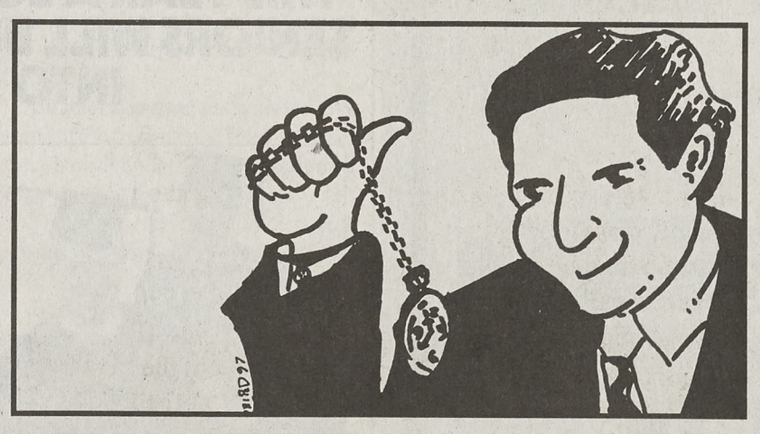
DeLuca has received recognition from the *New York Daily News, Los Angeles Times, Rolling Stone* and *People* magazines. He has also appeared on *Live with Regis and Kathy Lee* and *CNN Show Business Today*. Additionally, he was selected twice as Campus Entertainer of the Year by the National Association of Campus Activities.

DeLuca's work has also won him acclaim from companies such as the McDonald's Corporation, Salomon Brothers and Sara Lee.

Karen Baker, Conference Manager for Tandem Computers, once told DeLuca, "Your show is ideal for most audiences because it is exceptionally high in human interest and causes people to laugh at how we are more alike than different."

Tom DeLuca's *Theatre of Imagination* will be presented twice on Thursday night. Get your tickets in advance. The performance is likely to sell out.

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The Relic's plot turns stale and characters stone-cold

By ERIC SACHT
HORNET STAFF WRITER

The Relic, the latest offering from the director of *Timecop*, is based on the novel by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child. It is a dark experience in horror provided by the producer of *Aliens*, *The Terminator* and *The Abyss*.

The story is set in the Chicago Field Museum, where a series of mysterious gruesome murders take place. The murders threaten to close the museum's much-anticipated exhibit on the world of superstition.

Penelope Ann Miller stars as Margo Green, an evolutionary biologist, and Tom Sizemore is Vincent D'Agosta, a police lieutenant. The two become unlikely partners in an attempt to find and catch the killer.

The plot begins after Green receives a package from South America. In the package Green discovers a mutating virus that lives off the hormones produced by the

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BUDGET BITES

By MELISSA JONES AND ELIZABETH BUCCERI
FEATURES EDITOR AND ASSISTANT EDITOR

In recent years, the food courts of CSUS have expanded to meet the demands of ever-changing tastes and budgets. From Taco Bell to Chopsticks, the options have become dizzying. Now the campus is making room for La Crêperie, the kid "nouveau" on the block.

La Crêperie offers traditional French crêpes at affordable prices. They also offer crêpes to satisfy the American palette.

The crêpes are prepared in front of the customer with freshly-made batter cooked on grills imported from France. La Crêperie offers breakfast, lunch and dessert crêpes, with a variety of fresh ingredients.

At La Crêperie, any item can be added to create a personalized "dream crêpe."

Breakfast crêpes include L'omelette, which is made from eggs, cheese and choice of filling.

Lunch crêpes include the cheese crêpe and mushroom crêpe.

Dessert crêpes include: the lemon crêpe, chocolate crêpe and the Nutella crêpe, which is an imported Hazelnut spread. French children eat Nutella like American children eat peanut butter.

La Crêperie also offers daily specials. For example, the turkey, cheese, and salsa crêpe adds a southwestern flair to a provincial dish. Crêpes cost anywhere from $2.50 to $5.

Monday through Thursday La Crêperie offers a happy hour between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., during which dessert crepes are served for reduced prices.

La Crêperie also specializes in fresh-fruit freezes. During the month of February, customers are encouraged to stop by and sample these refreshing treats. Flavors include strawberry and orange. A small freeze costs $2, a medium $2.50, and a large $3.00.

Although crêpes are normally expensive, La Crêperie caters to the pocket books of average college students. Their prices are 30 to 40 percent under their competitors'. According to owner Doug Bertsch, although students are on a tight budget, they deserve high-quality foods.

Next week's special at La Crêperie is the "To Die For" strawberry crêpe, which is made with fresh strawberries, mounds of whipped cream, and powdered sugar. La Crêperie is located in the Patio Cafe between Crumbs and the Taco Bell Express.

Out of a possible five forks, La Crêperie receives:



CENTER STAGE



Elizabeth Bucceri/ *State Hornet*

Ginger root is one of many herbal remedies offered at various Asian markets and health food stores.

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some herbs have been proven to have medicinal affects. These remedies include: chamomile, ginger, garlic, hawthorn (for heart disease), mild thistle (for liver damage), and valerian (for sleep problems).

Drugs that the FDA has shown to cause harm include: comfrey, yohimbe, and ephedra (also known as ma huang). Comfrey has been shown to cause obstructed blood flow from the liver, cause lung, kidney and gastrointestinal problems and damage the unborn child in pregnant women.

Yohimbe is sold for impotency, and overdoses can cause problems in the nervous system. These can eventually lead to fatigue, stomach problems, paralysis and even death.

Ephedra is sold for weight control and as an energy booster. It is often mixed with caffeine and has been linked to high blood pressure, nerve damage, muscle injury, psychosis, memory loss and strokes.

According to some doctors, the best way to begin an herbal therapy regimen is to research each drug. There are several books on the market, and information on the internet. Also, people should check with their physicians and read product labels carefully.

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hypothalmus.

Green realizes that this virus produces dramatic physical changes in any living creature it infects. Unfortunately, Green's colleague, John Whitney, becomes infected with the virus and mutates into the savage Kothogo.

What *The Relic* lacks in plot and character development, it makes up for in special effects. The computer effects are comparable to those from *Jurassic Park.*

Oscar winner Stan Winston created Kothogo, a horrific creature whose origins are drawn from South American mythology. Winston's team used the latest in digital technology to create Kothogo. They based the movement of Kothogo on a large cat, even though the creature looks more like a reptile.

Winston produced more than 70 computer-generated images for the film, using 25 shots involving Kothogo and another 45 involving wire removal, matte paintings and various composite shots.

The overall feel of the movie is dark and terrifying and it keeps the audience on the edge of their seats. But don't go if you're looking for a mind reamer; *The Relic* is strictly a no-brainer.

Out of five cups, *The Relic* receives two:

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HOLIDAY HISTORIES

By PATRICE ROBINSON
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

If asked to name the holidays in February, most people would probably say Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day and Presidents Day. However, these are only a few of the holidays that occur during the month of February. In fact, there is one that is often overlooked and forgotten. That holiday is Ash Wednesday.

This special day marks the beginning of Lent, the 46-day period before Easter Sunday observed by Catholics. This time is used to prepare for Easter and to reflect on life.

This reflection covers three areas. The first area involves focusing on oneself. People use this time to find ways in which they can improve their spirituality.

The second area involves helping those people in the community who are in need.

The final area involves prayer. During Lent, people pray about particular areas of concern in their lives.

After this reflective period is over, Catholics look forward to the Triduum, which comprises Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. This is the highlight of the Catholic year. This trio of days celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Ash Wednesday is considered the renewal of faith.

Ash Wednesday gained its name from an old tradition where on Palm Sunday parishioners are given palm leaves. During the next year, their priest will ask worshipers to bring in those old palm leaves. These dried leaves will then be burned down to make ashes. These ashes symbolize mortality and the beginning of mourning. These ashes are used during mass on Ash Wednesday. The priest will smear the ashes on parishioner foreheads in the sign of a cross while saying, "ashes to ashes, dust to dust." These parishioners spend the rest of the day wearing their ashes.

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A Few Simple Questions

By Daren Woolsey

I have a simple question. When did sports become such an integral part of our society? Why has it turned into such big business? When did it stop being just some folks getting together on a weekend and playing some game that they enjoyed, and turn into such a serious matter that people are killed because they fail to win a game? Why do salaries continue to grow to insane amounts while so many people are homeless? Why do cities insist on taxing citizens so they can build a new stadium for their professional sports team, when they have schools that are falling apart in those very same cities? Am I done yet? Not hardly.

I am getting pretty fed up with the whole atmosphere surrounding professional sports these days. Baseball used to be America's national pastime. It used to be a symbol of what the American dream was. Young men and green fields. Hot dogs and little kids sneaking under fences to get a glimpse at players who were their heroes. There was an aura about the sport. It had a mystic quality that is hard to see these days through the fog of the high cost of parking fees, tickets, and concessions.

It sure is a lot of fun to go to a game lately. You have to take out a loan at the local Golden One in order to get in the gates. It is hard to stay loyal to a player who can't stay loyal to a team. Players leave via free agency to go to the highest bidder(e.g. Shaquille O'Neal) I've given up on the Giants. They have gotten rid of the mainstays of the team from the glory years of a National League Championship, first Will Clark and then Matt Williams. Will sure isn't having an impact in Texas, and I'm sure Matt will have a terrible season in Cleveland. Puh-lease. You have men that are making more money than you and I together will ever get a sniff of ever in our lifetime, and yet they still pout and don't play 100 percent when they want to get more money (e.g.: Rickey Henderson). Yet, we as fans keep coming back. I hate the big business of sports.

I wish I was born a generation earlier so I could have witnessed professional sports when they were in their prime, in a day when players were genuine people who played hard to earn a salary that was reasonable. I could probably write all day on this, but I'm sure you have had enough with preaching for today...

So how 'bout college basketball. I think Kansas deserves to be No. 1, regardless of their loss last week. They came back after their loss and beat the No. 6 Iowa State Cyclones. There is so much parity in college basketball this season it is unbelievable. It is hard to win on the road anywhere this year, and for that reason you have to respect Kansas for only having dropped one game so far, and you can be sure it won't be their last. I don't think the season will end with any team having fewer than three losses. You do have to figure that only one team in the top 64 or so is going to end the season with a win anyway. So I would have to say that Kansas is my pick to win the National Championship. They are consistent enough and are deep enough to make it through the grueling tournament.

Speaking of consistency, I believe Tiger Woods will go down as the most dominant golfer in history. He is 21, and he is already the most consistent player to shoot low scores each week on the PGA tour. An announcer said, "Imagine if he picks his game up a notch, or even two." I don't think we can possibly fathom what would occur at that point. He would be unstoppable.

Since we're talking golf, a nod goes to Mark O'Meara for back-to-back wins on the PGA tour. Not too often do we see a golfer play solid enough golf to win two weeks in a row.

Hornets' Boyd and Edwards celebrate 100th game in a 97-83 win over Eastern Washington

By RON ROGERS
HORNET STAFF WRITER

It was a night that CSUS senior guard Damond Edwards won't soon forget. Along with senior forward Michael Boyd, Edwards was playing in his 100th career game at Sac State. Edwards played what could have been his best game as a member of the Hornets in a 97-83 win over Eastern Washington on Saturday night at the Memorial Auditorium.

Playing a virtually mistake-free game, Edwards scored a career-high 36 points (12-20 FGs, 6-10 three pointers), and added six rebounds, seven assists, and four steals. A great example of how the game should be played, Edwards was all over the court, hustling and playing tough defense. Coming into the game as the all-time leader at Sac State with 324 turnovers, Edwards committed none during the game. His outstanding performance earned Edwards Big Sky Conference men's basketball Player of the Week award, announced Feb. 10.

"I wish I had 100 more (games) to play in," said Edwards. "Tonight was really a special night. My teammates just kept giving me the ball when I was open, and I felt like I wasn't going to miss."

With the win, Sac State (2-8, 3-17) moved past Eastern Washington (2-9, 6-15) to finally get out of the cellar in the Big Sky Conference. The 97 points scored was the most ever by a Sac State team under head coach Don Newman.

"I think tonight was one of our best productions," said Newman. "These guys have been working hard. They showed me a lot of pride. I'm glad they got rewarded with a victory."

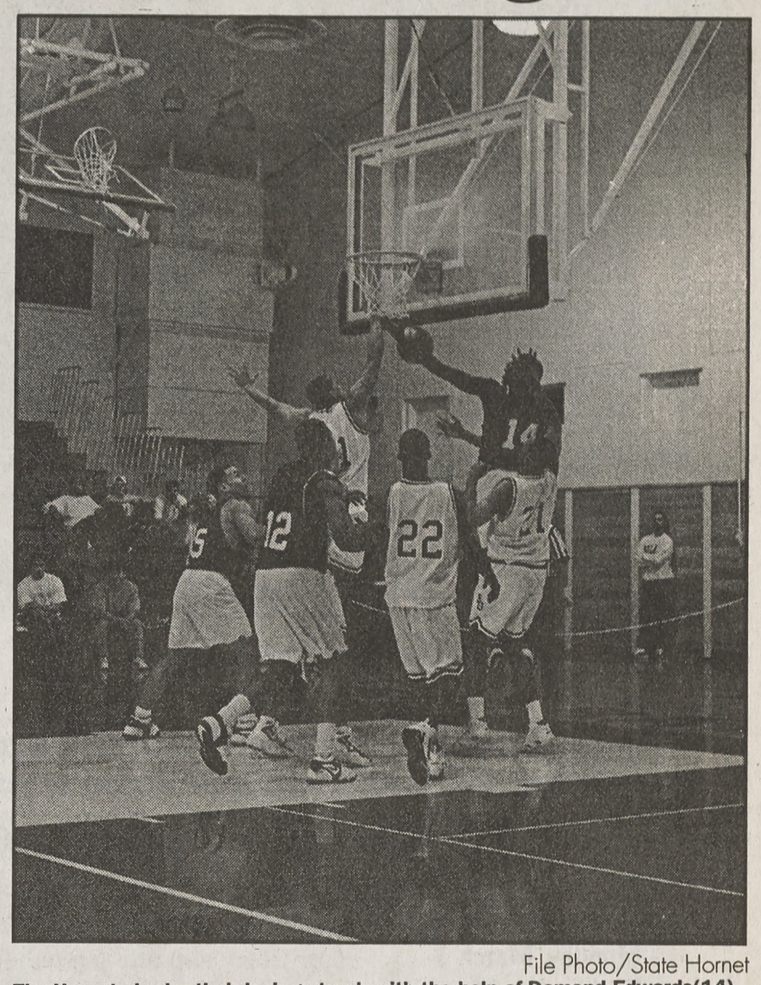
After a fast-paced, back-and-forth start, things did not look good for the Hornets. The Eagles found an opening in the middle of the Sac State defense, hitting on three straight mid-range jumpers to take a 12-6 lead with 16:21 left in the first half. The Hornets quickly adjusted their defense by clogging up the middle and went on a 14-2 run to take a 20-14 lead with 11:57 left.

The Eagles did not quit, though, and found themselves ahead 30-26 with 4:43 left. But a mistake cost Eastern Washington its lead. Kevin Lewis converted on an alley-oop dunk to give the Eagles their 30-26 lead, but he was not completely satisfied. He continued hanging on the rim, swinging his legs in a show-boat fashion and came down awkwardly. He did the splits as he landed on the court and let out a yell. Leading EWU at that point with 12 points in only 13 minutes, Lewis did not return to the game due to an extended right knee.

With Lewis out, Arthur Tate (21 points, 10 rebounds) and Edwards hit important shots to put the Hornets back in the lead. The half ended on a down note for the Hornets as they committed a shot clock violation with five seconds left. The Eagles took advantage as Luke Egan hit a three pointer at the buzzer to give his team a 39-36 lead at the break.

The first eight minutes of the second half went back and forth, with no team taking a lead of more than four points. The score was tied at 55 with 12:48 left in the game when Edwards hit a jumper to give the Hornets a lead they would not relinquish. With under ten minutes to play, the duo of Boyd and Edwards took the team on their backs and led the Hornets to victory. Boyd scored 15 of his 19 points in the game's final ten minutes. Boyd also matched Tate with a game-high 10 rebounds. David Drakeford led the Hornets with 10 assists.

With 100 games under their belts, Edwards and Boyd are both tied for sixth place on the all-time games-played list.

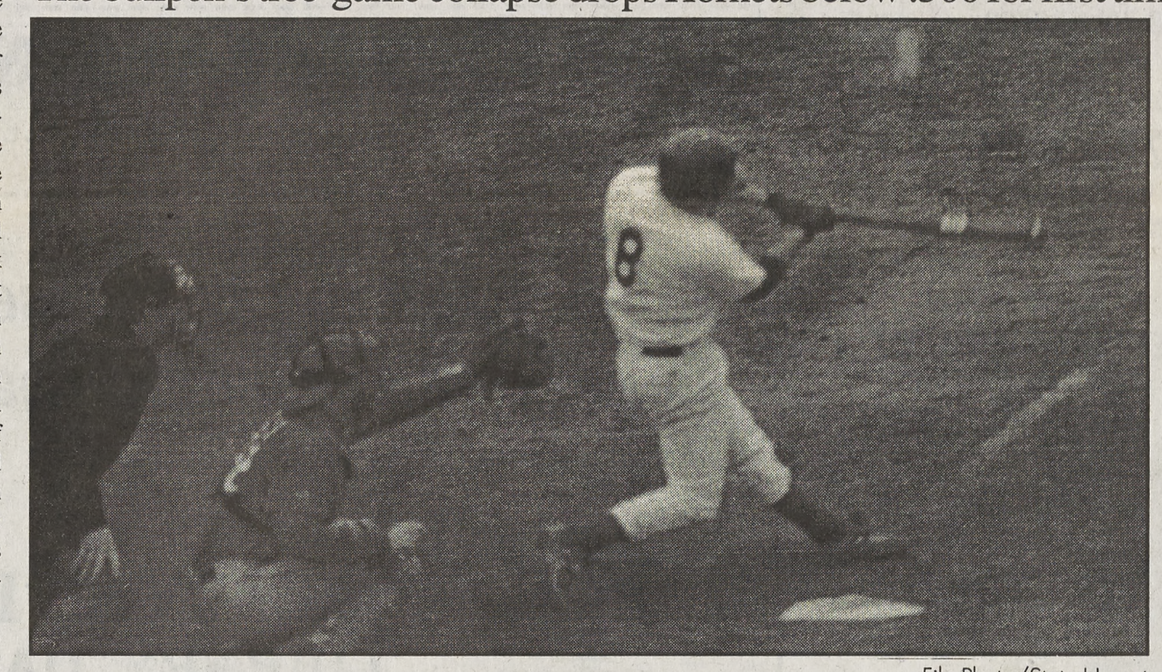


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The Hornets broke their losing streak with the help of Damond Edwards(14).

Baseball throws away two against CSUN

The bullpen's tree-game collapse drops Hornets below .500 for first time this season



File Photo/State Hornet

The Hornets hit five homers in the weekend series, but still were swept by Northridge.

BY HANK VERESCHZAGIN
HORNET SPORTS EDITOR

The Hornets were swept in their weekend series against CSU Northridge, to extend a three-game losing streak. After starting the season with a 3-1 mark, Sac State now stands at 3-4.The biggest loss of the weekend was not the games themselves, but the loss of third baseman David Pruett. In the eighth inning of Friday's game, Pruett dislocated his right shoulder. Initial prognosis was that Pruett's dislocation was a first-degree separation, meaning the humerus bone completely left the shoulder socket. Estimates are that the humerus was three inches out of socket. This injury will leave the Hornets without the services of Pruett for approximately six weeks."At first I thought my upper arm was broken," Pruett said. "I have never experienced any pain like that before."

In Friday's game, starting pitcher Graham Mazur recovered from a rocky beginning to give the Hornets an opportunity to win. After giving up five runs in the first four innings, Mazur kept CSUN's bats quiet into the ninth inning.

With the score tied 5-5, Sac State erupted for three runs in the eighth inning. Catcher Mike Dominisse belted a two-run homer, his second of the game, off Matador pitcher Jason Cole. The final run scored on a little-league type play. After pinch-hitter Eddie Taylor stole second, relief pitcher Cole had Taylor dead-to-rights on a pickoff, but sailed an errant throw over the third baseman's head, allowing Taylor to score what should have been an insurance run to lock away the game.

> "We need somebody to come out and nail the game down,"
> Catcher Mike Dominisse

Northridge would not go quietly away. The bullpen, still reeling from the collapse Thursday against Chico State, gave up three runs to force extra-innings.

In the 12th inning, CSUN's Andy Wilson slapped a single scoring Terrmel Sledge to cap off the Matador's 9-8 win."It's pretty frustrating," head coach John Smith said. "Mazur did another great job and the guys played their hearts out."

"We need somebody to come out and nail the game down," said Dominisse.

In Saturday's game, the Hornets trailed 2-0 after three innings. First baseman Dan Elorduy started the scoring with a lead-off homer, his first of the season, to left field. The Hornets would tally the tying run with second baseman Harvey Hargrove's single to drive in Pete

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Softball draws a tie with Hornet alumni

By ROBERT PRATT
HORNET STAFF WRITER

In a game absent of conference significance, the Sacramento State softball team faced the Hornets of the past on Saturday in the Alumni Softball Game, ending in a 5-5 tie after eight innings of play.

Since the game served no importance in league standings, it was a game to have a little fun. More importantly, it was a chance to practice against some talented athletes of past Hornet teams.

To understand the caliber of players the Hornets faced, the Alumni started pitcher Tami Blunt, who played from 1993 - 1996, recieving All-American honors in 1993. The alumni also started Toni Heisler, who played from 1988-1991 and is now a member of the Coors Light Silver Bullets professional baseball team.

"We, as far as a college team, wanted to treat it just as a ball game," head coach Kathy Strahan said. "Just like it was any other team showing up and it did not matter who the opponent was across the field in the other dugout."

Coming off a win and a sub-par tie in Wednesday's doubleheader against the UC Davis Aggies, coach Strahan used the weekend contest to work the kinks out of her team.

"I thought we saw some improvement over Wednesday and on some of the things we were trying to work on," Strahan said.

Strahan also used the game to give some of the freshmen a chance to rid of the stomach butterflies and gain some experience at the college level.

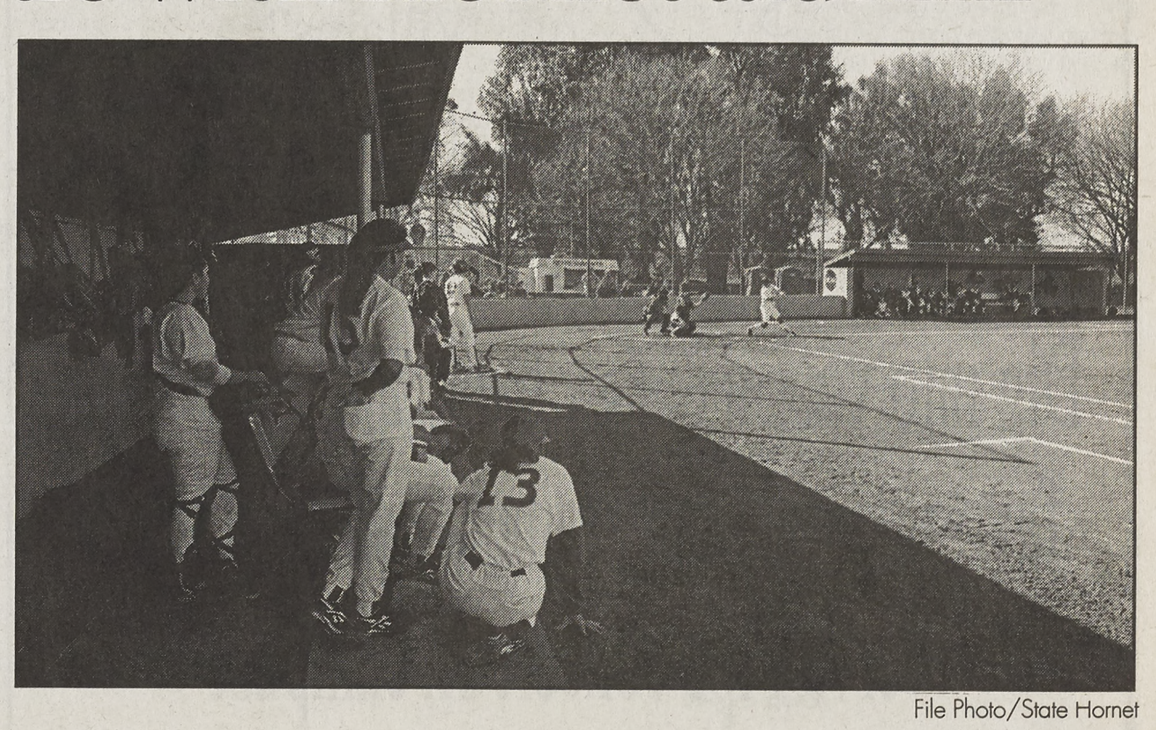
"I thought Amy (Barker) did a nice job as a freshman after she settled down after the first inning," Strahan said.

Barker gave up four runs in the first inning, then cooled down the alumni's hot bats only giving up one run before being replaced in the eighth inning by Robin Jury.

The alumni were not the only ones with the hot bats. The Hornets had 12 hits, four of them being doubles. This was a huge improvement considering the Hornets managed only 12 hits total in the doubleheader against Davis.

"We were more aggressive this time than against Davis at bat," said Susie Bugliarello, who also pitched for the alumni in the seventh and eighth innings.

Of the 12 hits, third baseman Jill Haas batted 3-for-3, first baseman Shannon Ramirez batted 2-for-2 with a double and Erin Driver batted 2-for-3 with a double.



File Photo/State Hornet

The offensive numbers were not the only positives in the game. Sacramento State gave up one error, supporting the pitching of Barker and Jury.

"I think we did an overall good job," Bugliarello said.

The Hornets hope to carry over some of the positives of the alumni game when they travel to Santa Clara University to face off against the Broncos on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 4:30 p.m.

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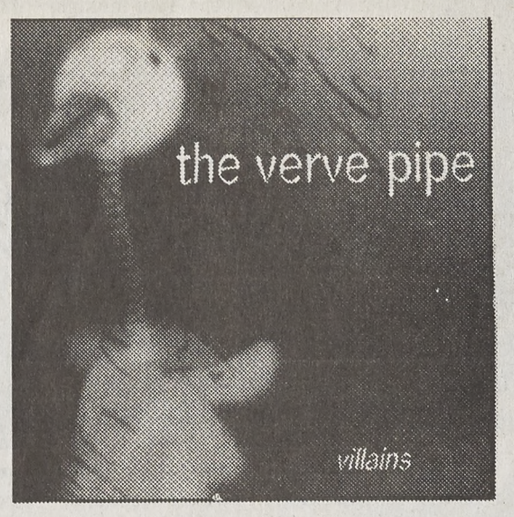
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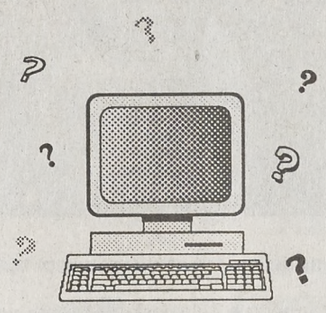
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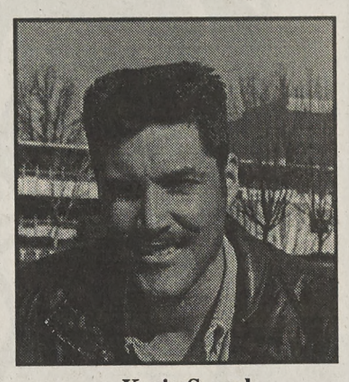
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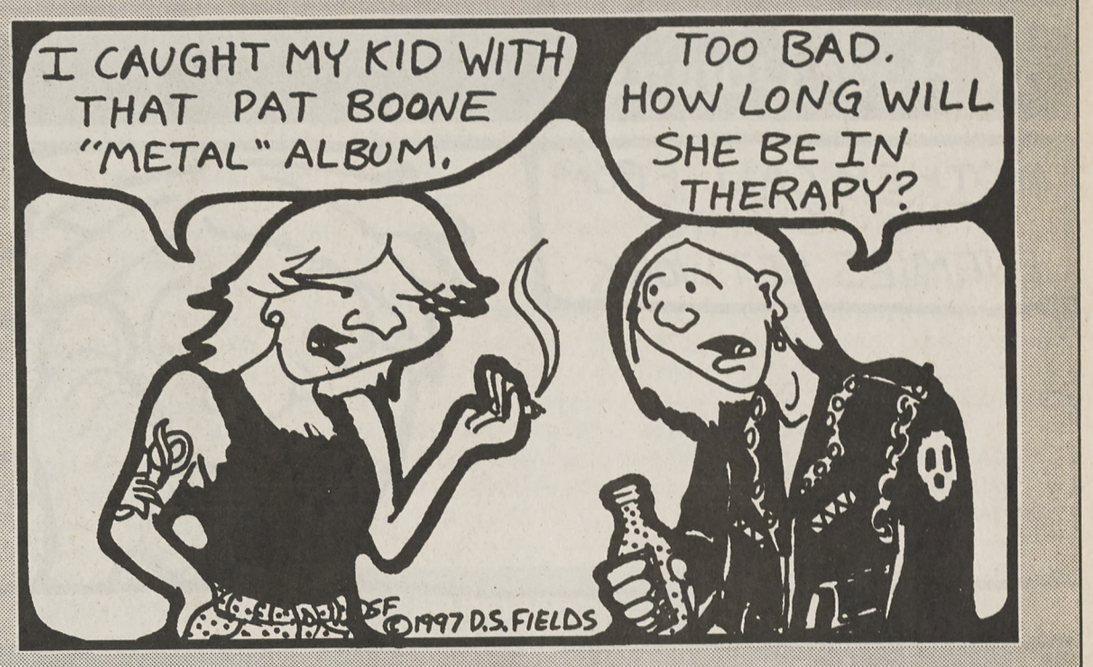
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Through The Looking Glass

by Shane Peterson

In dating, why fret over "the rules?"

A friend of mine was all excited about getting a return phone call after he responded to a personals ad. When the call came, he wasn't home, but she left her number on his answering machine. He detailed and rehearsed his smooth, sophisticated reply, and he asked me if I thought it was too soon to call her back.

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Humans are so funny sometimes. They fret and stew over the most ridiculous details—especially when romance is added to the mix. Call her, I told him. Who cares how many days it has been since she left the message? If you're interested in her, pick up the phone and dial that number, man.

All this time and effort spent worrying about social rules really puts a damper on dating. Not that etiquette isn't important. Coming from the Midwest, I believe that a certain amount of decorum is appropriate for a date. I open doors, walk on the outside if we're on the sidewalk so if a car comes careening over the curb it'll wipe me out instead of my date (my mom told me that one), and I mind my manners throughout the evening.

But certain social "rules" create a legion of fearful and timid daters when we can't decide when we're supposed to return calls—is it two days, or three? The thought of doing it the next day makes us uneasy, like there's something wrong with us because we're calling so soon. What will the other person think of us?

If through some miracle we manage to work up the grit to call somebody back, we've got to watch what we say. We can't reveal too much of ourselves at once. We've got to keep a little in reserve. Too much disclosure makes quite a few people nervous. They don't know how to handle it and soon start looking for a way to end the connection.

Emotions are another tricky area. We can't show too much emotion. Like disclosure, emotions need to be controlled. We spend so much time suppressing our own that when others express their emotions, we begin to feel panicky. We hesitate to respond. During those first dates, we're quick to abandon ship at any hint of "rule-breaking" activity.

Conversation, especially if it wanders off the known track into the deep jungle, warrants caution. Some people dislike talking about things that aren't "normal" on a first date. You're supposed to confine your conversation to mundane things like jobs, interests, hobbies or families—safe stuff like that. The moment that you launch into a complicated explication of your political, religious, or philosophical views, the other person is likely to view you with suspicion.

I say, why worry about the rules of dating? Why not be true to yourself? If the other person can't deal with what or who you are, then you simply make the best of the date and have fun for the rest of the evening. We fear rejection so we elaborately dance around others. We fear letting down the façades that we've struggled so mightily to erect.

Why do we worry so much about expressing ourselves? What do we want from another person? Why are we so fearful when it comes to dating? Isn't it natural to like someone else? Of course it is. We all want to be part of a happy, loving couple. Yet we endlessly complicate the situation and often make the dating game seem a no-win situation, with the tendency to play it safe.

It shouldn't be so difficult. Playing it safe means no risk. But, without risk, there is no payoff.

"Through the Looking Glass" appears Tuesdays in the State Hornet. Write to Shane at State Hornet, 6000 J Street Bldg. T-GG, Sacramento, CA 95819-6102 or e-mail him at peterson@csus.edu.

Practice what you preach

Editorial

Everyone has heard the story. Everyone seems to know someone who has been in an auto accident and the other driver is uninsured. Chances are that one out of every four drivers that pass you is uninsured as you drive along the streets surrounding CSUS. This occurs on an ongoing basis despite a state law that requires liability insurance for every car, truck, and motorcycle.

Since the beginning of the year, peace officers can now ask for evidence of insurance any time they pull a motorist over for a violation, no matter how trivial the violation may be. This step is long overdue.

It has always seemed a bit ridiculous that motorists be required to have insurance to drive, yet a peace officers were not given the authority to ask a motorist for evidence of insurance.

This new provision also requires that the driver have evidence of insurance when registering a vehicle. If a vehicle does not have tags, the vehicle will be easily recognized by peace officers.

The new provisions have stiff fines. The first conviction can be more than $1,350. These fines can double with each subsequent conviction, and the vehicle may be impounded. The new insurance law should raise compliance among uninsured motorists in California.

It is unfair to the law-abiding motorists to allow uninsured motorists to put the rest of the population at risk. Yes, insurance can be expensive. However, it would be cheaper for uninsured motorists to pay the minimum insurance coverage required by law versus the $1,350 fine if stopped by a police officer.

The Legislature should not rest on its laurels and assume all the state's millions of drivers will flock to their nearest insurance agent and get the coverage they need. Many motorists will still be unable to afford insurance. Legislators need to begin looking at the issues surrounding the high premiums charged by the insurance companies in California. They also need to look for ways to devise a system of adequate, low-cost insurance for everyone.

Letters To The Editor

Stay focused on environmental issues

I congratulate your staff on creating an environmental column for college students. I encourage the Hornet to keep the column. I also ask that the column become focused on what we can do at CSU, Sacramento. Yes, you can compost here, at the Community Gardens.

You are also able to help with the Headwaters issue. Being the capital of the state, Sacramento is targeted as a base for the Green Corps to "fight" for Headwaters. Headwaters is an old growth forest in Northern California. It is a privately held area; MAXXAM Corporation owns it. The point is, there is a lot of work to be done, and that work can effectively be done on this campus.

Headwaters is not the only environmental concern facing this campus; the floods, recycling and transportation, are all concerns on this campus. All of these issues and more can be dealt with in a proactive, not reactive manner.

Please focus on what is near, focused and very attainable, not what is far away and unattainable. The Environmental Student Organization will be very happy to inform you of what issues are directly affecting our campus and what the average college student can do to help.

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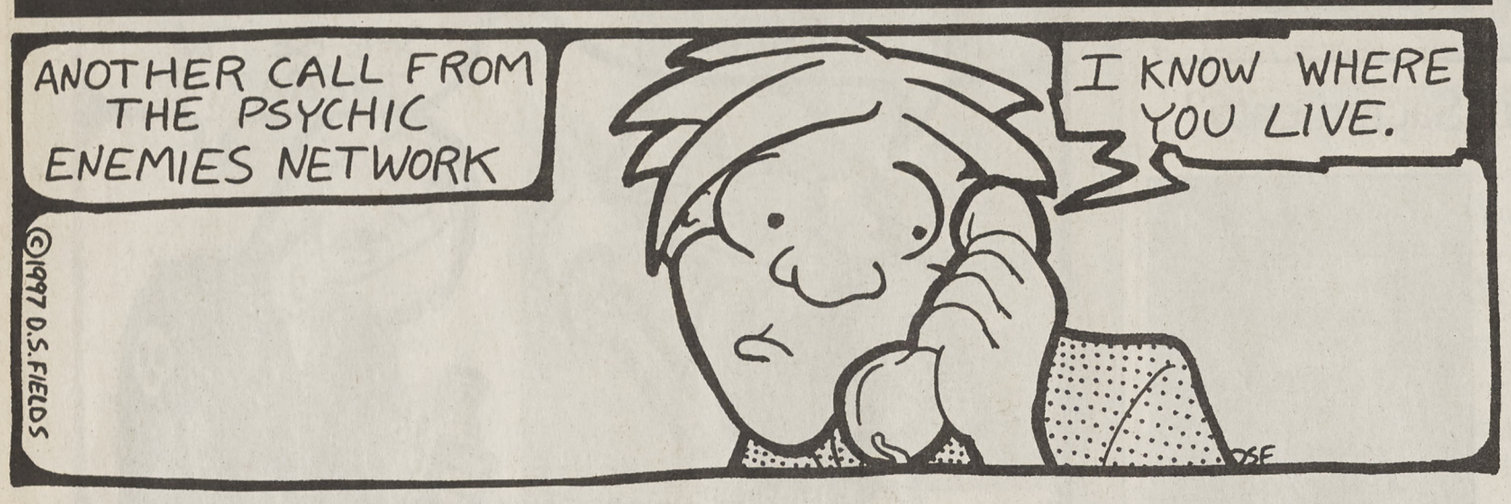
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Hornets drop two, but still have chance at postseason berth

By MARK AVILA
HORNET STAFF WRITER

The Sacramento State women's basketball team dropped two close games to Big Sky conference opponents this past week but still are in the running for the conference tournament.

As of now, the Hornets are seventh in the Big Sky but are ranked sixth. The top six seeds in the conference are invited to tournament play.

Coming off their road loss to Portland State, in which the Hornets lost 52-62, their home game against Eastern Washington saw the Sac State women give up 40 first-half points en route to a 71-59 defeat.

"We played well in the second half of the Eastern Washington game," head coach Sue Huffman said, "but we're still having problems putting 40 minutes together."

Once again, guard Julie Wastell led all scores versus Portland State, scoring 13, and was second Saturday night with 18 against the Eagles.

Also contributing to the Hornets' efforts was junior center Keri Garland, who totaled 10 points and 8 rebounds in the Eastern Washington game.

"She's [Garland] playing good now," said Huffman. "Her scoring and rebounding is a real presence on the court."

Supporting Garland under the boards during the Eagles game were center Kellie Kuelper with 10 rebounds and forward Maria Lara with 8. Lara also finished tied for second in scoring with 16 points.

In both games, the Hornets had problems getting out of the gate, as they were outscored by more than 20 points against the Vikings in the first half and 10 points in the Eastern Washington game.

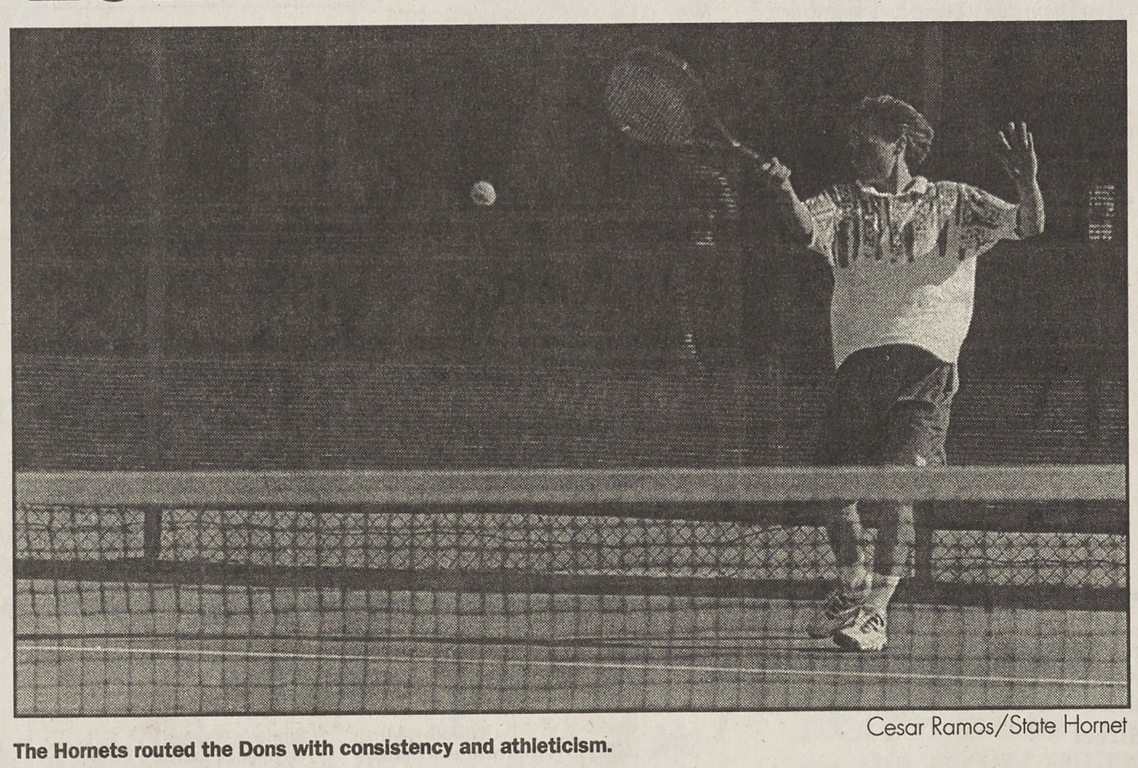
However, in each game the Sac State women rallied back to make both close contests. If not for a late foul call, Saturday's game against Eastern Washington might have swung the other way as the Hornets scored 42 to Eastern Washington's 31 points in the last 30 minutes. The second half of the Portland game was also close, as the Hornets were outscored by only one point.

This week the Hornets will be preparing for Big Sky powerhouse Montana, as Sac State gears up for a possible postseason appearance.

"This is the first time we've ever had a postseason to fight for," said Huffman. "I think they really want to go out and redeem themselves."

The Hornets tip off at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13 against the University of Montana at Memorial Auditorium.

Tennis shuts out USF



Cesar Ramos/State Hornet

The Hornets routed the Dons with consistency and athleticism.

By RYAN BJORK
HORNET STAFF WRITER

If the first match of the season is any indication of the year to come, the Sacramento State men's tennis team has a lot to look forward to.

Using strong play from the entire team, the Hornets destroyed the overmatched University of San Francisco 7-0. The Dons could not even muster a set. Co-captains Billy Casas and Scott Baird, along with Rob Harris, Jordan Boyls, Phil Lee, and Chris Podesta all figured prominently in the drubbing of USF.

The Hornets hope to improve from last seasons 9-8 record. "Position for position, we have a stronger team than last year," said head coach Chris Evers. "We have a great group of guys who all work extremely hard."

> "We could be a strong candidate to win the Big Sky,"
> head coach Chris Evers

In their first season of Division I play, the Hornets anticipate the possibility of becoming a major power in the Big Sky Conference. "I feel if the team plays to their potential, we could be a strong candidate to win the Big Sky," Evers said.

The Hornet's next three matches against Santa Clara, St. Mary's, and Pacific should be a good indication of how strong the team can really be. "Our next three matches are going to be grinders," Evers said. "Its going to tell the tale for our season."

Sac State hosts Santa Clara University on Wednesday at 2 p.m. The Hornets play their home matches on campus near the parking structure.

SWEEP: Hargrove reaches season high 13 RBI

Gascon from second. Hargrove's RBI gives him 13 for the season and he is the only Hornet in double figures for RBI.

Sac State's starter Rich Henson (1-1) continued to struggle a bit on the mound relinquishing two runs in the fourth with a two-out double from Wilson.

The Hornets could only get back into striking distance down 4-3 before yet another collapse by Sac State pitching.

Matador designated hitter Ryan Hurd stung Henson with a three-homer with just one out in the sixth inning to take a 7-3 lead. Northridge would not look back.

In the eighth, the bullpen gave up seven runs to put away any hopes of a Hornet comeback. The eighth inning barrage marked the second time in three games the bullpen had given up as many runs in the eighth.

"The end was a bit demoralizing," said Smith. "We didn't get any solid pitching at the end.

"To turn the situation around in the near future we need to get ground outs and stop walking batters," Smith continued.

In the three losses, the Hornets have averaged about seven runs per game, more than enough to win ballgames in Smith's mind.

Sac State returns to action Wednesday as the Hornets host Santa Clara at 2 p.m.

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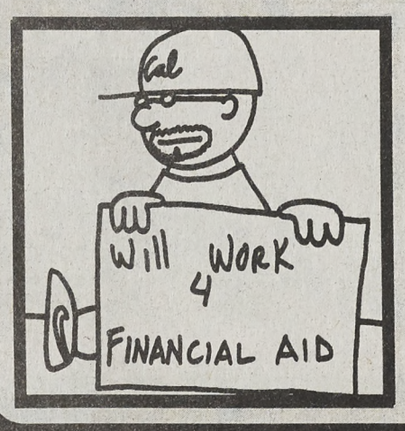
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